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# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT **UNDER 37 CFR §1.56**

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#### RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

In a counterpart Japanese application, a Japanese Office Action issued on August 10, 2004.

Document A1 discloses a supporting structure for a multilayered motor.

Document A2 discloses a stator piece supporting structure for a rotating machine.

Document A3 discloses a split-core motor.

Document A4 discloses a stator of a dynamo-electric machine.

English translations of the foreign-language documents are not readily available. However, English language abstracts are provided herewith. Consequently, the foreign language documents have been submitted in compliance with the PTO requirements and, therefore, the document should be considered by the Examiner (37 CFR §1.97, §1.98 and MPEP §609).

Applicant respectfully requests that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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